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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5027

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***"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF DOGS AND CATS
OBTAINED FROM SUBSTANDARD DOMESTIC ANIMAL MILLS
AND REQUIRING A STANDARD OF CARE APPLICABLE TO
ANIMAL IMPORTERS."***

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
4 to study the proliferation of dogs and cats sourced from inhumane
5 origins and sold in Connecticut pet shops. Such study shall include,
6 but not be limited to, an examination of how to amend the general
7 statutes to provide for the reduction of such proliferation.

8 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

9 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,

10 one of whom shall be a local breeder of dogs or cats and one of whom
11 shall be recommended by Connecticut Votes for Animals;

12 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one
13 of whom shall be recommended by the Humane Society of the United
14 States and one of whom shall be a member of the Senate;

15 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
16 Representatives, who shall be recommended by the Connecticut
17 Business and Industry Association;

18 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be
19 a member of the Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council;

20 (5) Two appointed by the minority leader of the House of
21 Representatives, each of whom shall be members of the General
22 Assembly;

23 (6) Two appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, one of
24 whom shall be a member of the American Society for the Prevention of
25 Cruelty to Animals and one of whom shall be a member of the General
26 Assembly; and

27 (7) The Commissioner of Agriculture, or the commissioner's
28 designee.

29 (c) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
30 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
31 filled by the appointing authority.

32 (d) The legislative members of such task force shall serve as the
33 chairpersons of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the
34 first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty
35 days after the effective date of this section.

36 (e) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
37 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the

38 environment shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

39 (f) Not later than January 1, 2014, the task force shall submit a report
40 on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee
41 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the
42 environment, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
43 general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it
44 submits such report or January 1, 2014, whichever is later."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section